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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 774

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Alcoa Police Officer,  
Sergeant Tim Hunt, and to commemorate his  
meritorious service and heroism.

WHEREAS, it is highly fitting and appropriate that the elected Representatives of the State of Tennessee should honor those exemplary citizens who made the ultimate sacrifice in protecting and preserving the public safety; and

WHEREAS, our country has been blessed by courageous law enforcement officers willing to sacrifice their personal well-being and concerns to ensure the safety of our citizenry, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to have so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, Alcoa's Sergeant Tim Hunt was one such valiant Tennessean who bravely and professionally served the citizens of Alcoa and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a 12-year veteran as an officer of the law, Sergeant Hunt faced danger on a daily basis and bravely put himself in risky situations with life-or-death consequences, so that Alcoa citizens could sleep at night in the comfort of knowing that they were safe in their homes; and

WHEREAS, many grateful citizens and police officers of the Alcoa, Sweetwater, and Knoxville communities gathered to comfort Sergeant Hunt's family, friends, and colleagues in mourning his untimely death; and

WHEREAS, countless people were touched and saddened by the tragic circumstances that ended the all too short life of this dedicated police officer and loving husband who died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, a Sweetwater native, Tim Hunt graduated in the Top Ten of his Sweetwater High School Class of 1987; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Sergeant Hunt followed in the footsteps of his late grandfather, Kenneth Wilson, and joined the Sweetwater Police Force; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Tim Hunt recognized the dangerous and life-threatening aspects of his job, but still faithfully fulfilled his duty to "protect and serve" with compassion and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Tim Hunt was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Tim Hunt was most appreciative of the love and support he received from his loyal wife of eight years, Dixie Rogers Hunt; and

WHEREAS, he leaves behind to cherish his memory, his parents, Virgil and Alice Hunt; his brothers and sister-in-law, David and Donna Hunt, Michael Hunt; his grandparents, Lucille and Tommy Bellamy; two nieces; several aunts; uncles and cousins; and his father and mother-in-law, Jerry and Barbara Rogers; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Hunt was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Oscar and Mae Mason Hunt, and an aunt, Mary Poe; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Tim Hunt served with great bravery and ability, and this General Assembly finds it appropriate to specially recognize the life of this fine man, while pausing to remember his many accomplishments as an exceptional public servant; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor the memory of Sergeant Tim Hunt of the Alcoa Police Department, and salute his inspiring and selfless heroism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy and offer our most sincere condolences to the family and friends of Sergeant Tim Hunt.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.